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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Information Handling Committee

FROM : David Y. McManis
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SUBJECT : Technology to Support Geographic/Cartographic Analyses

1. The continuing efforts of the IHC to explore new computer assisted methods of geographic and cartographic analysis is becoming widely known. Your briefing at the recent Washington Area Operations-Intelligence Centers Conference on 26 April 1983 was enlightening to everyone. Indeed, the technology you describe would be beneficial to us all, especially in support of planning, routine analysis or even crisis decision making.

2. Therefore, I ask you to continue your research in this area with immediate objectives of:

a. isolating a specific capability in the near term that could be tested and evaluated at one of the Conference member sites.

b. determining the feasibility of video disc map data base to be shared by a large subscriber network.

c. developing long-term requirement for a digital data base to also be shared by a large subscriber network.

3. You are invited to present preliminary findings to the next "Conference", which will be in July. My staff point of contact is [redacted]

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